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MINES PRODUCE BIG COAL OUTPUT

ABOUT SIXTEEN MILLION TONS
WERE MINED DURING 1912.
—A RECORD-BREAKER.

GREATEST IN HISTORY OF STATE

State Inspector of Mines' Statistics
Will Show Increased Output Over
Any Previous Year.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Frankfort, Ky.—Prof. C. J. Norwood, state inspector of mines, announced that his compilation of statistics as completed thus far indicates that the output of Kentucky coal mines for 1912 will be about 16,000,000 tons, and that he is confident the output will not be less than this amount. The highest output heretofore for Kentucky mines was 14,000,000 tons in 1910. Prof. Norwood, who is at the head of the College of Mines of State university, as well as state inspector, has been at work upon the compilation of coal statistics for 1912 and expects to have them officially completed within a short time.

The output for 1911 was 13,924,811 tons and for 1910 was 14,720,011 tons. It had been generally believed among coal men that the output for 1912 would not be lower than that of 1911, but Prof. Norwood finds as he progresses in tabulating the statistics that the output for 1912 will unquestionably be the greatest in the history of the state.

Decision Given in Noted Case.

J. E. Williams, Republican, will be given a commission as county judge of McCreary county, and nearly all the offices in the county will be changed as the result of an opinion handed down by the Court of Appeals, affirming the Franklin Circuit Court, which granted Williams a writ of mandamus requiring Gov. McCreary to issue the commission.

Under the act creating the new county, Gov. McCreary's appointees were to hold office until "the next regular county election." All county officials in Kentucky are elected in November, 1913, and Gov. McCreary construed this to mean that his appointees should hold from July, 1912, when they were appointed, until their successors could be elected in November, 1913.

Williams, however, took the view that there was a vacancy in the office of County Judge, which the Governor filled by appointment until the next election, and the Court of Appeals took the same view. Williams was a candidate on the ticket, and his certificate of election was filed with the Governor.

The Governor had appointed J. C. Goode County Judge, and in October Goode resigned and the Governor appointed Harry Jones in his place. It was contended in the suit that Jones' appointment coming within three months of the date of the election, his successor could not be elected last November; but the court held that the vacancy actually existed when Goode was appointed, and must date from that time.

Decisions Pro and Con.

An ordinance passed by the council of Louisville regulating the hours for the transaction of business of pawn brokers, secondhand dealers, junk merchants and junk dealers and providing that such merchants shall close at 7 o'clock p. m. and remain closed until 7 o'clock a. m. was declared to be constitutional by the appellate court. The appellate court held to be unconstitutional an ordinance passed by the city of Versailles council compelling railroad companies to cover all cuts or excavations through which the railroad tracks run in the city with a solid substantial arch stone, concrete or durable material.

Will Conduct Vocational School.

A real vocational school will be inaugurated by Eastern State Normal at Richmond on June 17 and will close July 25.

The latest approved method of vocational schools in the great cities will be used. Regular work of the fundamentals in the Model School will be continued, and as special features the following: Dramatization, play and games, music, manual training, domestic science, school science, school gardens, live nature study, public speaking, physical culture and gymnasium.

Conference on Marketing.

Gov. McCreary has appointed J. E. Estes, of Science Hill, a delegate from Pulaski county to the First National Conference on Marketing and Farm Credits, which will meet in Chicago April 8-10.

Lectures on Education.

Up-to-date methods of education will be discussed by experts at the meeting in Louisville April 30 and May 1, 2 and 3 of the Kentucky Educational association, a complete program of which has been announced by R. L. McFarland, of Owensboro, president, through Secretary T. W. Vinson, of Frankfort.

Popular lectures will occupy the first two nights and the general public has been invited to hear them. Dr. William L. Bryan, president of the University of Indiana, will speak on "The Education of the Disposition," and Dr. Frank W. Ganssalus, president of the Armour institute of technology, will discuss subjects of training. Miss Florence B. Ward, of the Iowa Teachers' college, will speak on "The Montessori Method." She studied under Mme. Montessori in Italy.

Druggists Can Sell Liquor.

Because their names appeared on the records in the federal building as having taken out government licenses to sell liquor 30 or more druggists in the outskirts of Louisville were served with notices by a deputy state revenue agent directing them to appear before the state auditor and pay a penalty and fee, amounting to \$120 each, for failure to take out state liquor licenses. The matter was taken up with State Auditor Bosworth, and an investigation on his part revealed the fact that the druggists, although they had not taken out state licenses to sell liquor, were selling it only as an admixture on physicians' prescriptions, and therefore were not guilty of a law violation. In celebration of their victory the druggists made a bonfire of the notices that had been served upon them. Want No More Stallions.

Suspend New Coal Rates.

The interstate commerce commission suspended certain C. & O. railroad tariffs which cancel through rates on coal in carloads from mines in Kentucky and West Virginia to Milwaukee from March 25, the date the new rates were to become effective, until July 23, this suspension order leaves no through rates in effect via the Grand Trunk railway and ferry across Lake Michigan.

The commission also suspended tariff schedules of the Kanawha & Michigan railway from March 25 to September 25, which proposed to cancel through rates applying on carloads from Kentucky-West Virginia fields to Wisconsin and other points, via Ludington, Mich., and the Pere Marquette car ferry. This tariff previously was suspended from December 3 until March 25.

Laws Are Being Enforced.

Simultaneous with the refusal of the common carriers in Kentucky to accept any more intoxicating liquor under the provisions of the Webb bill for transportation into "dry" counties the officials of the aforesaid "dry" counties and cities, particularly in the western and southern portions of the state, are putting the screws to bootleggers. In consequence the number of persons who have evinced a willingness to go forth into the wet country and tote back into the dry country a vial of spirits for the satisfaction and consolation of a busy neighbor is becoming fewer, and thirsts are growing apace.

Ohio Auto Licenses Honored.

A decision of great interest to automobile owners outside of the state of Kentucky, and especially to Cincinnati, was rendered by Judge Yungblut in the circuit court when he decided that the city of Newport is denied the right to enforce the collection of a license against automobiles or auto trucks passing through the city from another state. The decision was rendered in the injunction suit brought by the Merkel Bros., of Cincinnati, against the city of Newport. The judge's decision upholds the payment of a state license in Ohio, which is honored by a similar law in Kentucky.

Want No More Stallions.

The department of agriculture announced it had completed for the present the purchase of stallions for use in the encouragement of the breeding of horses for military purposes. Four Morgans, ten standard breds, eleven American saddle horses and nine thoroughbreds have been purchased which, with several Morgans and thoroughbreds secured in other ways, make a total of forty-four. The Morgans will stand in Vermont and New Hampshire, the thoroughbreds mainly in Virginia, the saddle horses and standard-breds mainly in West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee.

Mother's Appeal is Heeded.

The Prison Commission paroled John Luttrell of Casey county, serving a sentence in the penitentiary here for manslaughter. The parole was granted on the solicitation of Luttrell's mother, who stated that she had ridden a mule 40 miles across the mountains in order to catch a train to meet the board and present the application of her son.

CHILDREN MAKE MERRY IN THE WHITE HOUSE



The prattle of childish lips and the sound of baby laughter such as has not been heard in the White House for many years now emanates from the executive mansion, where there is a children's race for the favor of the president of the United States. The contest is going on between the three grand-nieces and the grand-nephew of Woodrow Wilson. A few days ago the quartet had a tea party and little Josephine Wilson Cothran, aged seventeen months, poured for her guests, Virginia Peyton Howe, fat, rosy and blond, aged three; Wilson Howe, her brother, aged ten, and Elizabeth Wilson, also aged ten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wilson, cousins of the president. The photograph shows them in that order from left to right.

WILSON REFUSES AID

PRESIDENT DECLINES TO APPROVE UNITED STATES LOAN IN CHINA.

WILL NOT INVOLVE AMERICA

Chief Executive Declares for the Open Door—Also Comes Out Strong in Favor of the Budget System in Government Affairs.

Washington, March 20.—In a statement issued from the White House Tuesday President Wilson refused to endorse the request that American bankers participate in the Chinese loan. The president expressed sympathy for the Chinese republic and declared for the open door. The statement follows:

"We are informed that at the request of the last administration a certain group of American bankers undertook to participate in the loan now desired by the government of China (approximately \$125,000,000). Our government wished American bankers to participate along with the bankers of other nations, because it desired that the good will of the United States toward China would be exhibited in this practical way, that American capital should have access to that great country and that the United States should be in a position to share with the other powers any political responsibilities that might be associated with the development of the foreign relations of China in connection with her industrial and commercial enterprises. The present administration has been asked by this group of bankers whether it would also request them to participate in the loan. The administration has declined to make such request because it did not approve the conditions of the loan.

"The government of the United States is not only willing, but earnestly desirous of aiding the great Chinese people in every way that is consistent with their untrammeled development and its own immemorial principles.

"The government of the United States is desirous of promoting the most extended and intimate trade relationships between this country and the Chinese republic. The present administration will urge and support the legislative measures necessary to give American merchants, manufacturers, contractors and engineers the banking and other financial facilities which they now lack and without which they are at a serious disadvantage compared with their industrial and commercial rivals. This is its duty. This is the main material interest of its citizens in the development of China. Our interests are those of the open door—a door of friendship and mutual advantage."

Father Slain by Son.

Chicago, March 24.—John Klein a printer, was shot and killed by his son, John R. Klein, nineteen years old, in their home here Friday. The youth killed his father in defense of his mother, according to his statement.

MRS. EATON IS HELD

WIDOW ARRESTED AFTER INQUIRY INTO ADMIRAL'S DEATH.

Chemist's Discovery of Arsenic in Stomach Arouses Authorities to Action.

Hingham, Mass., March 22.—Charged with the murder of her husband, Mrs. Eaton, widow of Rear Admiral Joseph G. Eaton, was arrested here Thursday. She was a witness at the secret inquest into her husband's death, and drove from her home in an automobile accompanied by two police officers a short time before she was taken into custody.

Mrs. Eaton was arraigned before Judge Pratt, who conducted the inquest into the admiral's death. She pleaded not guilty and was committed to jail without bail for a further hearing March 28.

Admiral Eaton died suddenly on the morning of March 8. He was sixty-six years of age, but his friends said he had been in good health. Two days later the body was buried at Draught, his former home.

MADERO SLAIN IN PALACE?

Col. Bauche Alcalde, Maderist, Refugee From Mexico, Says Guard Attack Was a Ruse.

San Francisco, March 22.—"President Madero and Vice-President Suarez were assassinated in the palace by the Huerta revolutionists hours before the shots were fired on them in the street," said Col. Bauche Alcalde, Maderist refugee from Mexico, who arrived Thursday with his family on the steamship Acapulco.

"The shots in the streets by the guards were fired into the dead bodies of the president and vice-president. President Madero was shot in the palace by Captain Azcarade, one of the guards. The shot was fired into his neck, close to the ear and the powder marks could be plainly seen on the skin to tell at what close range the shot had been fired.

"Vice-President Suarez was choked to death by the hands of an honored guard. His face was black and his tongue was protruding from his mouth as they placed his dead body beside the corpse of the president in the penitentiary. Then a journey to the penitentiary was begun and a volley of shots were fired into the two lifeless figures propped up on the seats in an effort to mask the atrocity of the double assassination that had taken place within the palace walls.

"The president and vice-president were killed in the palace about eight o'clock. It was sometime between 10 and 12 o'clock the same night that their bodies were put into the auto and fired upon on the journey to the penitentiary."

FRANK S. BLACK IS DEAD

Former Governor of New York Succumbs to Heart Disease After Several Days' Illness.

Troy, N. Y., March 22.—Frank S. Black, formerly governor of New York, died at his home here, last night of heart disease, after several days' illness.

STORM TOLL IS BIG

SIXTY-NINE KILLED AND HUNDREDS HURT WHEN TORNADO SWEEPS COUNTRY.

FAST DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

Terrific Windstorm Struck Gulf States First, Then Swung Northward and Eastward Over Eleven States—Telegraph Wires Down.

Chicago, March 24.—As a result of a terrific storm which Friday swept the Mississippi valley from the great lakes to the gulf, sixty-nine persons were killed. The storm ushered in the first day of spring by demolishing towns and injuring hundreds of people.

Telegraph service in the central west was demolished. Chicago practically was without any wire connections to outside points. Two thousand poles fell under the weight of sleet between this city and South Bend, Ind.

While Chicago was in the clutch of the storm for eighteen hours points in the west and south suffered far more severely. Reports from Mississippi, west Tennessee, southeastern Kentucky, north and east Arkansas, Indiana, Ohio, Alabama, Missouri, Minnesota and Wisconsin bring stories of devastation and death.

From many sections where the storm was at its height only meager reports have been received. Demoralized telephone and telegraph service made it impossible to communicate with many of the smaller towns in Arkansas and Missouri, where villages are said to have been destroyed and many killed.

Hoxie, Ark., was practically destroyed. Nine people are reported dead and many more seriously injured. Property damage will reach into hundreds of thousands of dollars through the surrounding district, where the wind reached its maximum velocity.

Lower Peach Tree, in Wilcox, Ala., also is said to have been destroyed. Twenty-nine are known to have been killed, while scores were injured seriously. Only a few of the buildings in the town were left standing, and hundreds of people Friday night were without shelter and food.

In Mississippi the storm reached its fury in the district lying between Grenada and Water Valley. At Senatobia it reached its greatest velocity, houses being tossed about as playthings, small buildings being carried for rods and everything left barren. No loss of life occurred there.

Five were killed in a small settlement five miles north of Macon, Miss., and more than five times that number injured.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., was swept by a tornado which tore buildings from their foundations, killing five persons and injured more than fifty. Members of the crew of the St. Louis & San Francisco railway passenger train which reached Memphis, Tenn., told harrowing stories of passing through the storm center. As the train dashed through the cyclone zone the track was seen torn from the earth a few miles behind them.

"SWINDLER" IS HELD

NEW YORK HAIR IMPORTER CAPTURED ON STEAMER.

Antone Martinez, Accompanied by Three Sons and Two Daughters, Taken From Berth on Ship.

New Orleans, March 21.—Anthony and Philip Musica, father and son, human hair dealers in New York, indicted there for defrauding American and European bankers, were arrested here Wednesday aboard the United Fruit company's steamship Herodia, about to leave for Central America, after a thrilling pursuit across the country by police and detectives.

The detectives, led astray for several hours by the clever doubling of their quarry, all but missed the fugitives, but traced their baggage aboard the ship in time to accomplish their arrest.

With the elder Musica, a dignified Italian of sixty-eight years, were his son, Philip Musica, aged thirty, two daughters and two other sons. Their attempt, traveling together and closely pursued, to escape from the country perhaps is without parallel in the criminal history of the United States.

Approximately \$75,000 in cash was taken from the six Italians. This is believed to be part of the \$1,000,000 they are said to have obtained from American and European banking firms by means of fraudulent invoices for consignments of human hair. In addition, life insurance policy for \$230,000, fully paid up, was found on the person of Philip Musica.

HUNTINGTON WILSON RESIGNS

Bryan Aid Attacks Order Repudiating the Chinese Loan Plans—Resignation Is Accepted.

Washington, March 22.—Out of harmony with the new administration's far eastern policy and vexed by the "unnecessary haste" in publishing a statement on the Chinese loan before it had been advised of its character, Huntington Wilson, acting secretary of state, resigned on Thursday.

In a long letter to President Wilson he set forth his grievances, and the impropriety of trying to act as spokesman for policies with which he is not in accord, and demanded that the resignation as assistant secretary of state, which he submitted on March 4, be effective at once.

The president at once designated Second Assistant Secretary Ades to act as secretary of state in Mr. Bryan's absence, while it is probable that John Bassett Moore will be appointed counselor of the state department with authority as an assistant secretary. In accepting the resignation of Huntington Wilson, the president made no reply to the statements in the letter of resignation.

NEWS FROM FAR AND NEAR

Montgomery, Ala., March 20.—James G. Oakley, president of the state convict department, was arrested here Tuesday, charged with embezzling \$90,000. The orders for his arrest were issued by Governor O'Neal.

Washington, March 20.—The armored cruisers California and Maryland, now at San Francisco, were ordered by the navy department to sail at once along the coast of the Gulf of California as reports reaching the department state that a new reign of terror has broken out in northwestern Mexico.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 21.—Charles E. Lang, sergeant of police, was shot and fatally wounded in the office of Mayor Louis P. Fuhrmann here Wednesday by Joseph Stefanski, who says he is a Montana cowboy. Lang was on duty when Stefanski entered and asked to see the mayor. When permission was refused he started shooting.

San Leandro, Cal., March 22.—T. J. Smith, a traveling salesman for the Walden Jewelry company of Chicago, cut his throat with a razor and his body was found in the roadway near Estudillo station here Thursday.

BRYAN CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Citizens of Commoner's Home Town Turn Out En Masse to Do Him Honor.

Lincoln, Neb., March 21.—William J. Bryan, secretary of state under President Woodrow Wilson, came to Lincoln Wednesday to celebrate his fifty-third birthday anniversary with the folks at home and be guest of honor at the annual banquet of the Lincoln Bryan club.

From the moment he stepped from his train until the banquet climax late at night when he addressed a discourse which jammed the Auditorium to its doors, the distinguished son of Nebraska was the central figure of a continuous ovation.